

**REMARKS**

**The Species Election**

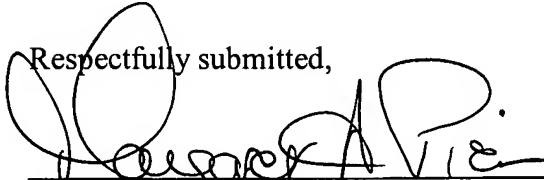
The Examiner has required election of a single decoy species, specifically (i) non-NF- $\kappa$ B decoy, or (ii) NF- $\kappa$ B decoy. The Examiner has deemed the following claims to be generic: 7 and 17. Applicants elect NF- $\kappa$ B decoy without traverse. Claims 1-20 read on the elected species of NF- $\kappa$ B decoy.

The Examiner has further required election of a single disease or disorder species from the list consisting of those disease and disorders recited in claims 2-3 and 12-13. The Examiner has deemed the following claims to be generic: 1 and 11. Applicants elect brain ischemia without traverse. Claims 1-20 read on the elected species of brain ischemia.

Applicants make these species elections expressly without waiver of their right to file for and to obtain claims directed to the non-elected subject matter in divisional or continuing applications claiming priority and benefit herefrom.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicants request favorable consideration and early allowance of the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
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